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1. On the evening of 7 July 1948 a meeting of the members of the Internarium in Rome took place at Piazzale Flaminio No. 9, at the home of Didek. The following were present at the meeting:
- Sidor Karol, former-Slovak Minister to the Holy See;
 - Grigorcea, former-Rumanian Minister;
 - Lozoraitis Stasya, former-Lithuanian Minister to the Holy See;
 - Poniatowski Juliusz, and Janikowski Stanislaw, former-Polish Ministers;
 - Celmins Gustav, Letonian
 - Didek, Croat.
2. The recent political events in Yugoslavia were discussed. Sidor was of the opinion that these events had been predisposed by the Soviet Union for unknown reasons, inasmuch as while the Cominform expelled the Yugoslav Communist Party, the Moscow government continues to have more or less normal relations with the Yugoslav government.
3. The other participants at the meeting were of a contrary opinion, i.e., that the Cominform move was genuine and that the Soviet interference in the Yugoslav internal question had provoked a conflict between the "International Communist Party" and the Yugoslav Communist Party. The Moscow Government, however, foreseeing the position taken by the Belgrade Government, reserved the possibility of dealing further and is attempting to hold on to Tito, since a break in relations between the two governments is not desired. It was left to the Cominform to continue the fight against Tito in the political field with the purpose of making him lose the predominate position which he acquired with his gesture.

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